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A toaster has a housing having an upper load opening and a lower discharge opening, defining therebetween an internal cooking chamber adapted to hold an object to be toasted, and forming a passage extending between the openings, around the cooking chamber, and along inside surfaces of outside walls of the housing. Heat radiating elements in the cooking chamber are positioned to radiantly heat and toast the object therein. A fan in the housing below the cooking chamber draws outside air into the housing through the load opening, passes it downward through the passage around the cooking chamber, and expels it from the housing via the discharge opening.